

HOUSE No. 2221

By Mr. LeDuc of Marlborough, petition of Stephen P. LeDuc and others for passage of a resolve relative to restricting the powers of the Massachusetts Turnpike Authority. Transportation.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PETITION OF:

Stephen P. LeDuc
Paul J. P. Loscocco

Pamela P. Resor
Deborah D. Blumer

In the Year Two Thousand and Five.

RESOLVE RESTRICTING THE AUTHORITY OF THE MASSACHUSETTS TURNPIKE AUTHORITY.

1 *Whereas*, Any expansion of the authority of the Massachusetts
2 Turnpike Authority beyond its current scope of responsibility will
3 tend to extend the life and the financial burden of said authority;
4 and,

5 *Whereas*, Any extension of the life and financial burden of the
6 Turnpike Authority will result in the users of said turnpike subsi-
7 dizing non toll paying users of the other roads of the Common-
8 wealth; and,

9 *Whereas*, The aforementioned subsidy of the Commonwealth's
10 highway system by the users of the turnpike is fundamentally
11 unfair; therefore be it,

12 *Resolved*, That, to the extent that the Massachusetts Turnpike
13 Authority shall continue to exist as an independent agency, the
14 scope of the responsibility and authority of said Authority shall
15 not be expanded to any other roadways not already under its care
16 and control unless such expansion is fully funded from the
17 General Fund and not by the toll payers.